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FM AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6783

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA PRIORITY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L COPENHAGEN 0709

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SUBJECT: CCMS: APRIL PLENARY, OTTAWA -- ROAD SAFETY
RESOLUTION

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1. BODENHAGEN INFORMED EMBASSY APRIL 6 THAT CONTARY TO HIS
EARLIER EXPECTATIONS DENMARK WILL BE OBLIGED TO MAKE RESERVATION
ON PARA 1(B) OF RESOLUTION. IT WILL ACCEPT RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE,
BUT CANNOT CO- SPONSOR.

2. BODENHAGEN HAS PROVIDED US WITH COPY OF MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
MEMO OUTLINING ARGUMENTATION HE WILL PRESENT IN OTTAWA.
PRINCIPAL POINTS ARE: DENMARK WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO
POSSIBLE STRENGTHENING OF PARA 1(A) SUCH AS CALLING FOR " REDUCTION"
INSTEAD OF " PREVENT ANY INCREASE." DENMARK CANNOT ACCEPT PARA
1(B) FOR TWO REASONS . FIRST IS CALCULATION PROBLEM OF GIVING
SUFFICIENT WEIGHT TO KILOMETERS TRAVELLED BY MOTORBIKES, BICYCLES
AND PEDESTRIANS," WHICH ARE MUCH LARGER FACTOR IN DANISH TRAFFIC
STATISTICS THAN IN COUNTRY SUCH AS U. S. SECONDLY, DENMARK STRIVES
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FOR REDUCTION IN ABSOLUTE NUMBER TRAFFIC DEATHS. DESPITE FACT 15
PERCENT REDUCTION SET AS MINIMUM GOAL, DANISH PUBLIC WOULD
MISINTERPRET THIS TO MEAN WEAKENING OF GOVT' S POLICY OF SEEKING
ABSOLUTE REDUCTION.
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